

Minutes of the Council on Aging Meeting

Wed., April 17, 2019

Town Hall

Meeting called to order at 11:00 a.m.

Present were: Bruce Bernstein, Chairman, Carolyn Palmucci, Eve Goldberg, Cory Hines, Georgette Kinney, Chet Delaney, Helen Krancer, Peg Muskrat, Adm. Asst.

Bruce and Eamon Loglin will be touring the old trolley track (off Creamery Rd.) in order to assess a whole range of mobility and management issues.

Minutes from March 20, 2019 were approved.

An event at the April Hill Conservation center with Greenagers will not be scheduled until their parking lots are redone.

The March Luncheon was well received. Eunice will be asked to bring the finished painting to a luncheon. For next years calendar, artist Margo Trout and Erica Ludwig, musician, will be asked to make presentations.

The Opera event at the EVI was well attended and received.

The May 8th Luncheon will feature Bob Climo doing a cooking demonstration.

Georgette, Juliette Haas (from the Board of Health) and Peg met in order to discuss collecting used hearing aids and/or eyeglasses in order to get them to the Lions Club for recycling. A collection site will be set up at the Town Hall. Also discussed was initiating an effort to disseminate information to the public regarding hearing loss. A suggestion was made to set aside 5 minutes at the beginning of each luncheon in order to discuss health topics and also to have pamphlets on hand regarding health issues. Georgette agreed to specifically present regarding hearing loss and available resources.

A discussion of "Age Friendly Berkshires" revealed that the process is a complicated one. Its purpose would be to bring affordable housing to Egremont residents. Bruce also discussed a program called "Villages". He will continue to update us on this program.

At the May 15th COA Meeting the discussion regarding next year's calendar will be made a priority on the agenda.

A reminder was made to attend the May 29th Senior Safety Lunch at the GB Senior Center.

The next meeting will be May 15th at 11:00 a.m.

Meeting adjourned at 12:05.

Respectfully submitted,

Eve Goldberg